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SUBJECT: RESPONSE TO FOURTH OF JULY MESSAGE SENT TO THE

1. PLEASE DELIVER FOLLOWING RESPONSE FROM THE PRESIDENT
TO FOURTH OF JULY MESSAGE FROM VENEZUELAN PRESIDENT.

QUOTE: DEAR MR. PRESIDENT: YOUR KIND AND THOUGHTFUL
MESSAGE OF CONGRATULATIONS ON THE OCCASION OF THE ONE
HUNDRED AND NINETY-NINTH ANNIVERSARY OF OUR INDEPENDENCE
AS A NATION SYMBOLIZES THE CLOSE FRIENDSHIP AND MUTUAL
RESPECT WHICH HAVE LONG CHARACTERIZED RELATIONS BETWEEN
OUR TWO PEOPLE. SINCERELY, GERALD R. FORD. END QUOTE.

2. FYI. FOLLOWING IS INFORMAL TRANSLATION OF TELEGRAM
RECEIVED FROM PRESIDENT PEREZ. QUOTE: THE PRESIDENT.
THE WHITE HOUSE. ON THE OCCASION OF THE CELEBRATION OF A
NEW ANNIVERSARY OF THE INDEPENDENCE OF YOUR COUNTRY, I HAVE
THE HONOR TO EXPRESS TO YOUR EXCELLENCY, ON BEHALF OF THE
PEOPLE AND GOVERNMENT OF VENEZUELA AND MY OWN, THE WARMEST
CONGRATULATIONS AND BEST WISHES FOR THE PROSPERITY AND
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WELL BEING OF THE NORTH AMERICAN PEOPLE. REITERATING TO

YOUR EXCELLENCY THE PERMANENT PURPOSE OF VENEZUELA TO
TIGHTEN AND STRENGTHEN MORE EACH DAY THE FRIENDSHIP AND
UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN OUR COUNTRIES, I TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY

TO RENEW THE ASSURANCES OF MY HIGHEST CONSIDERATION.
CARLOS ANDRES PEREZ. PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF
VENEZUELA. END QUOTE.

3. NO RELEASE INTENDED, BUT NO OBJECTION IF RECIPIENT
WISHES TO DO SO. KISSINGER

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